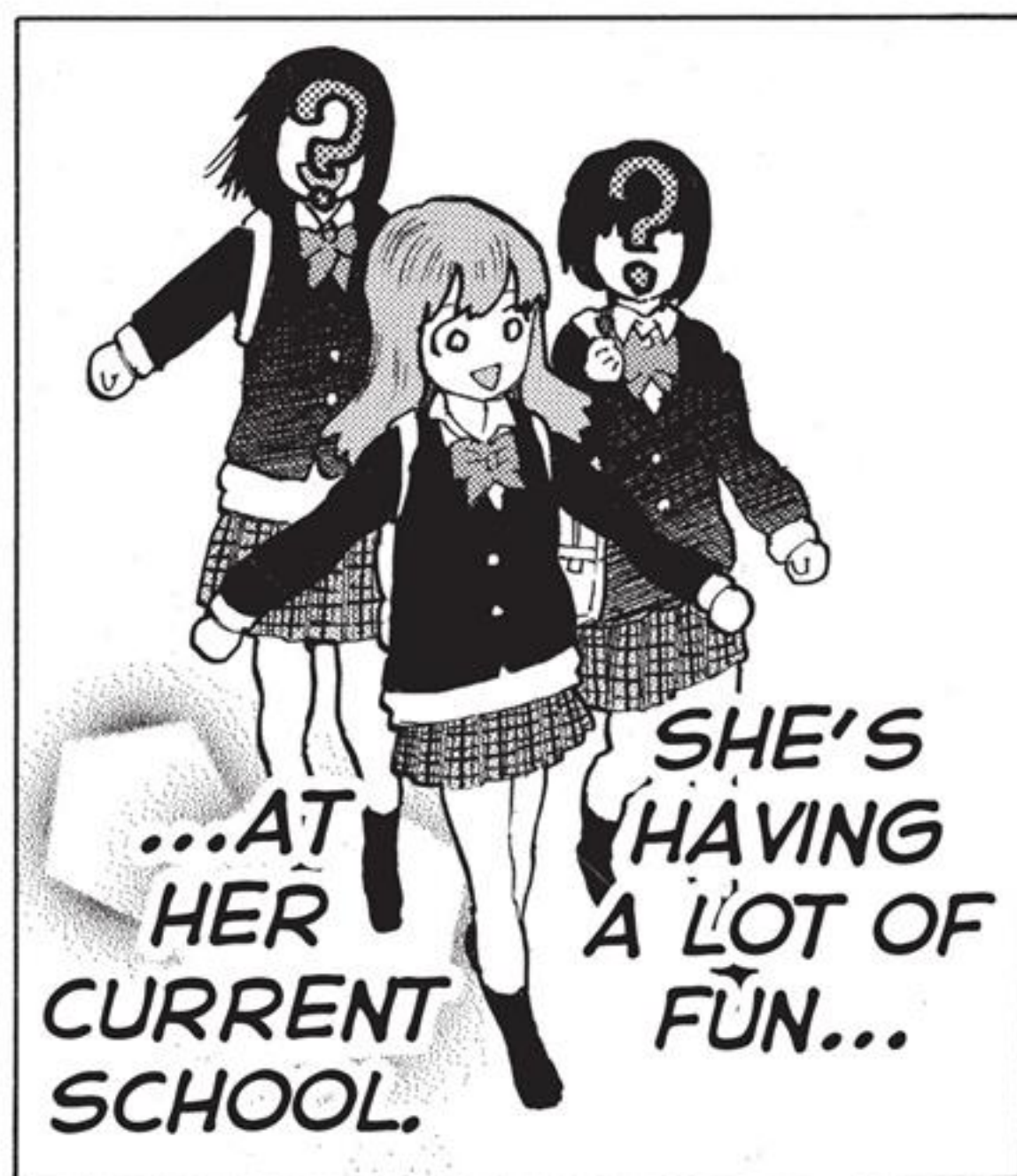




**SHE LIVES
WITH HER
MOTHER,
HER
GRAND-
MOTHER,
AND HER
YOUNGER
SISTER.**

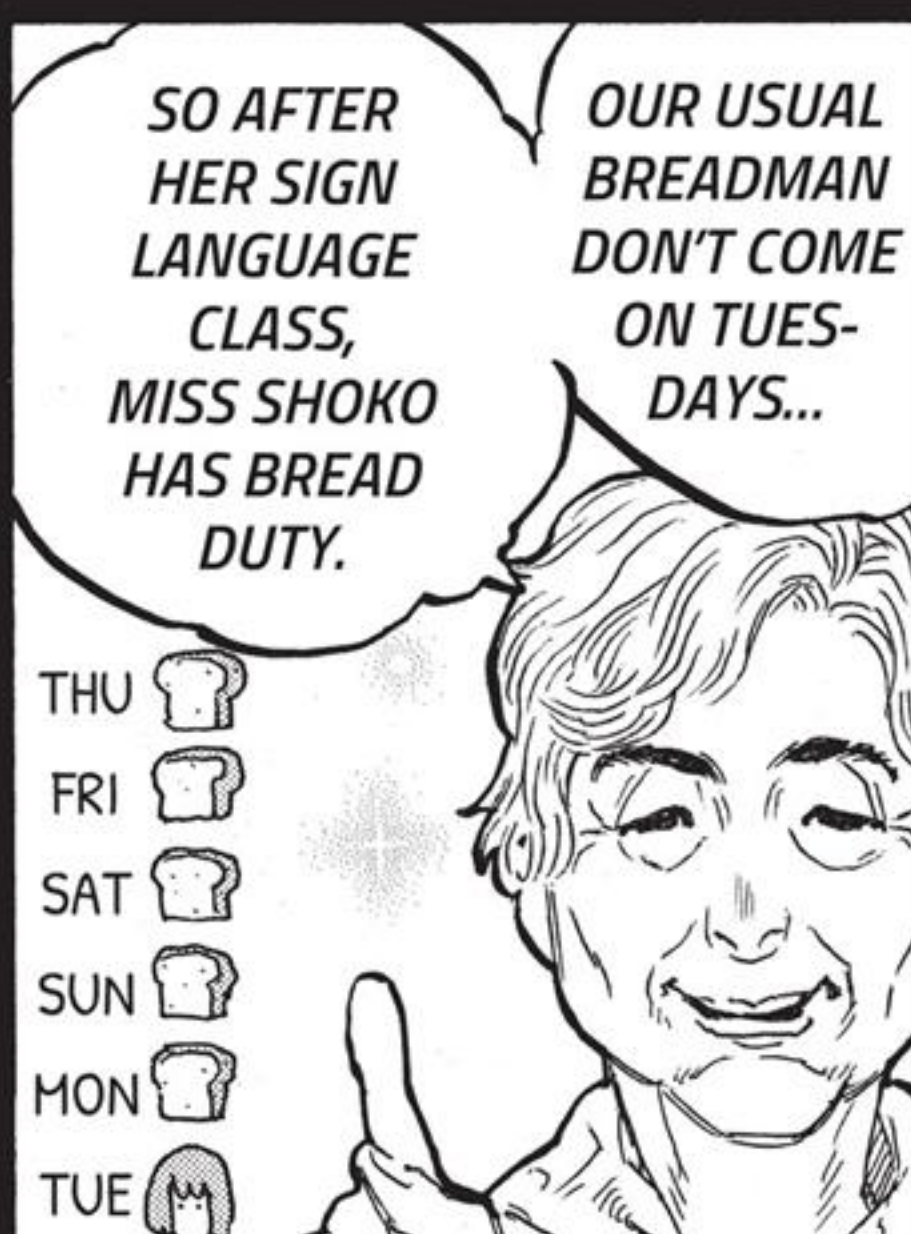
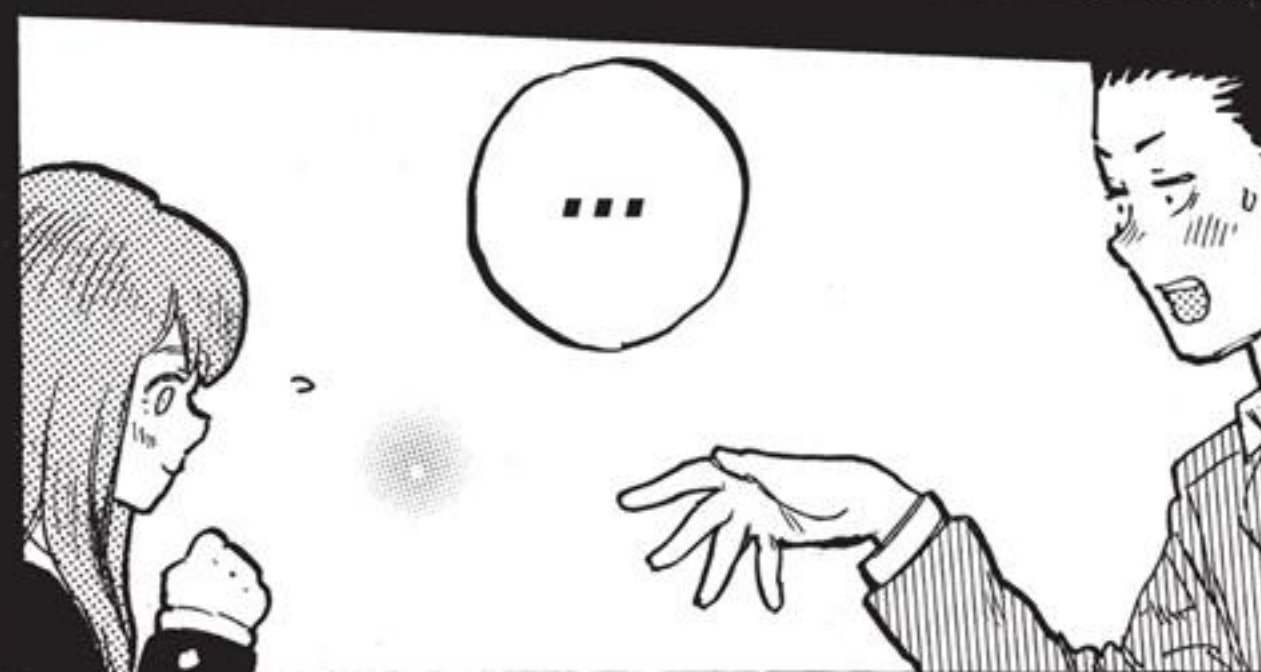
**SHOKO
NISHIMIYA,
AGE 17.**

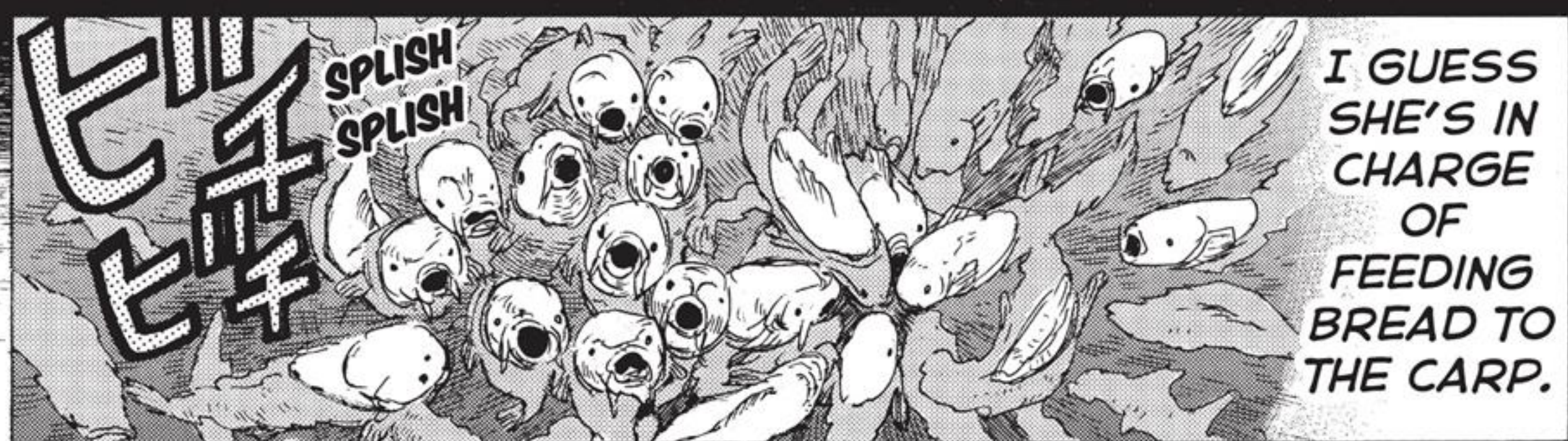
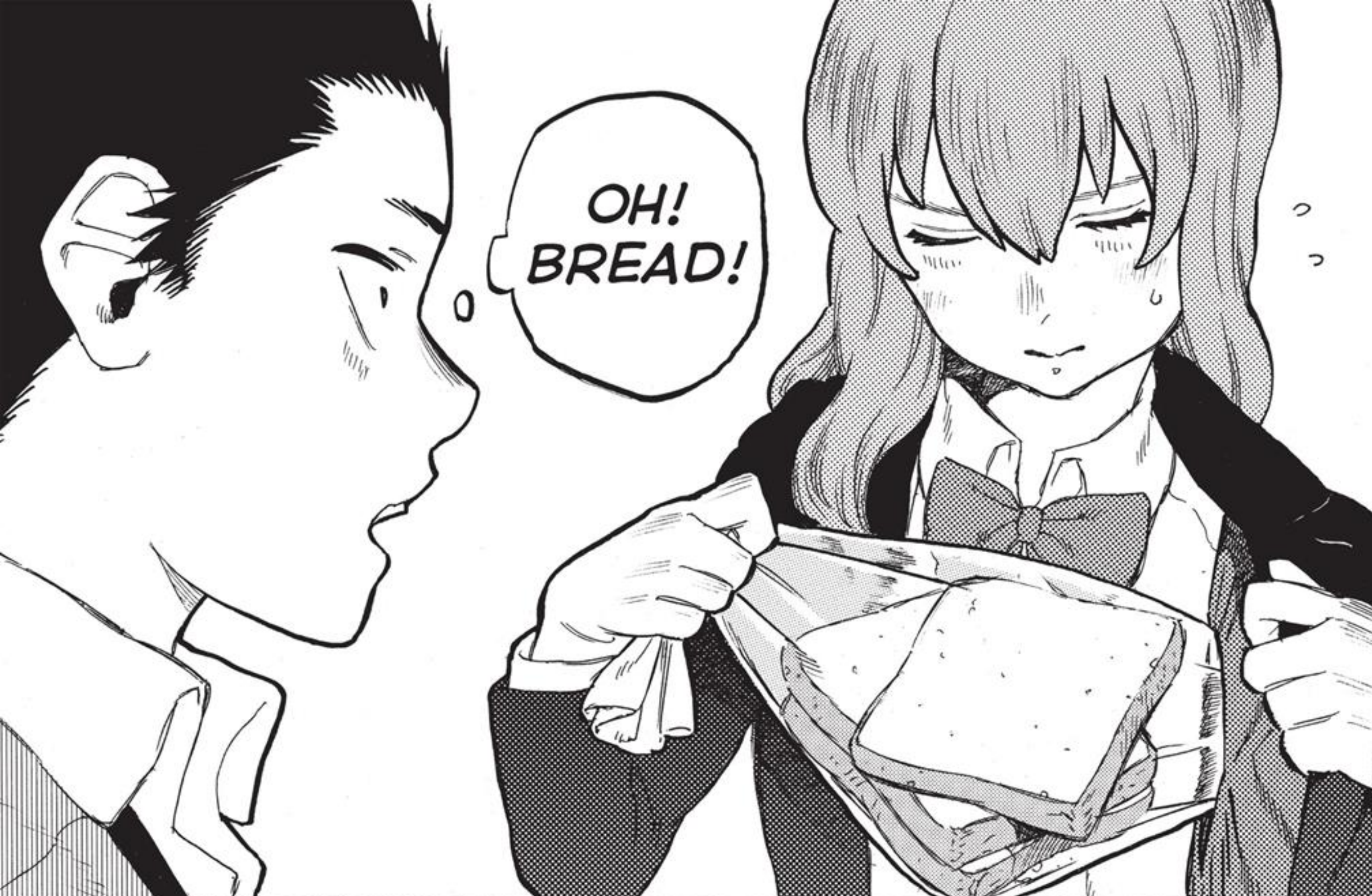
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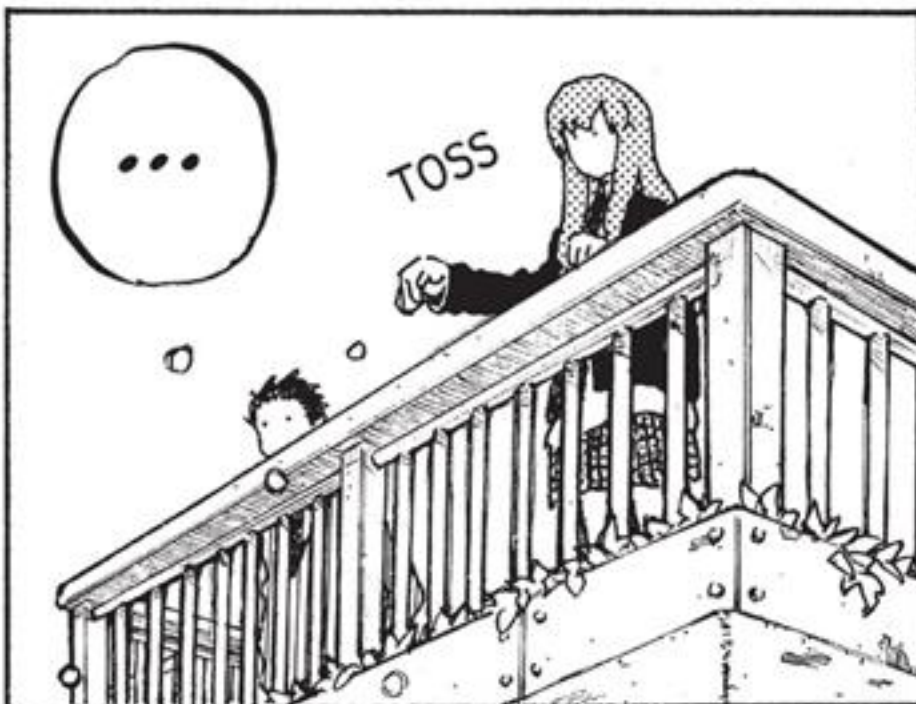
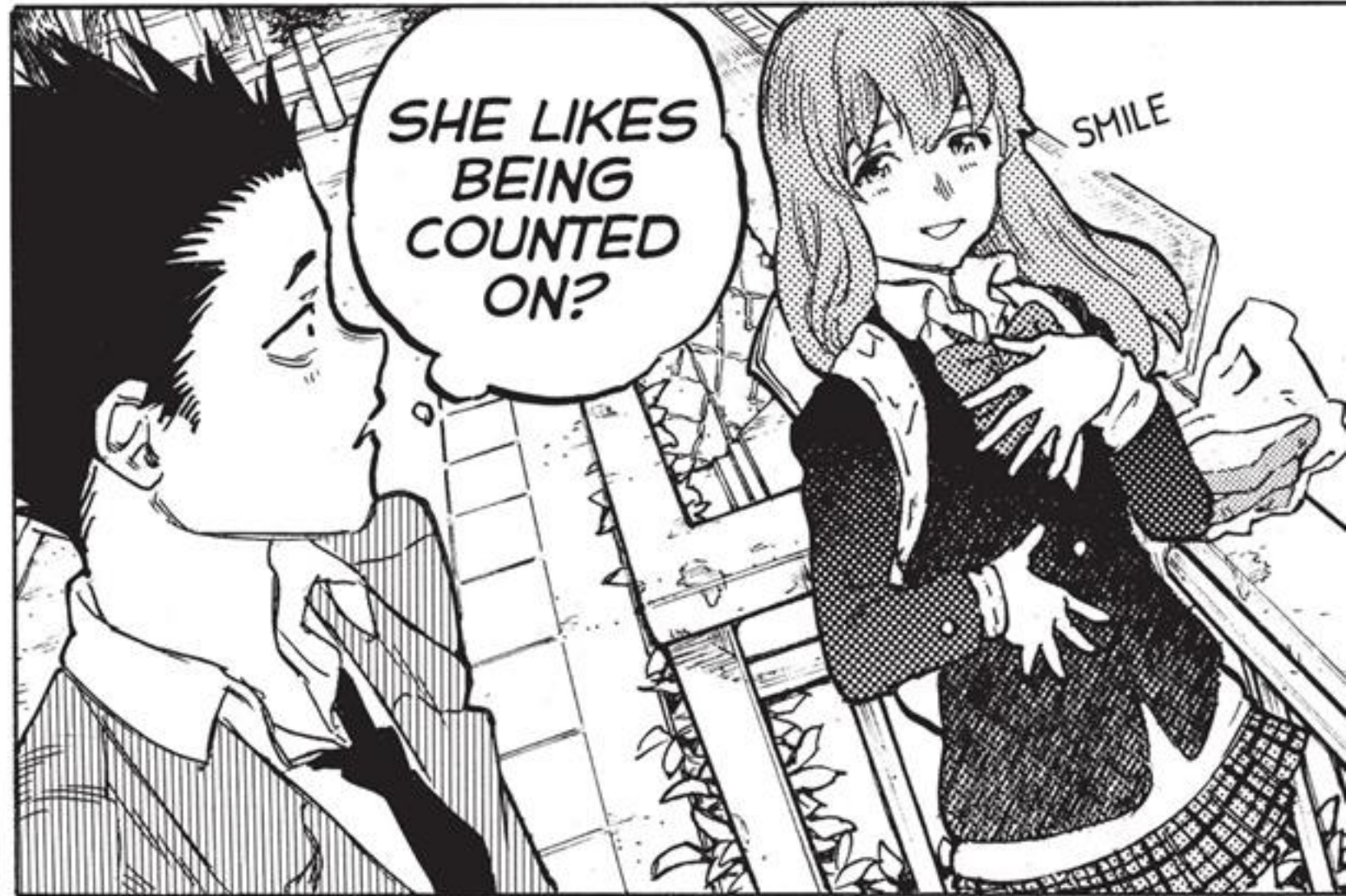
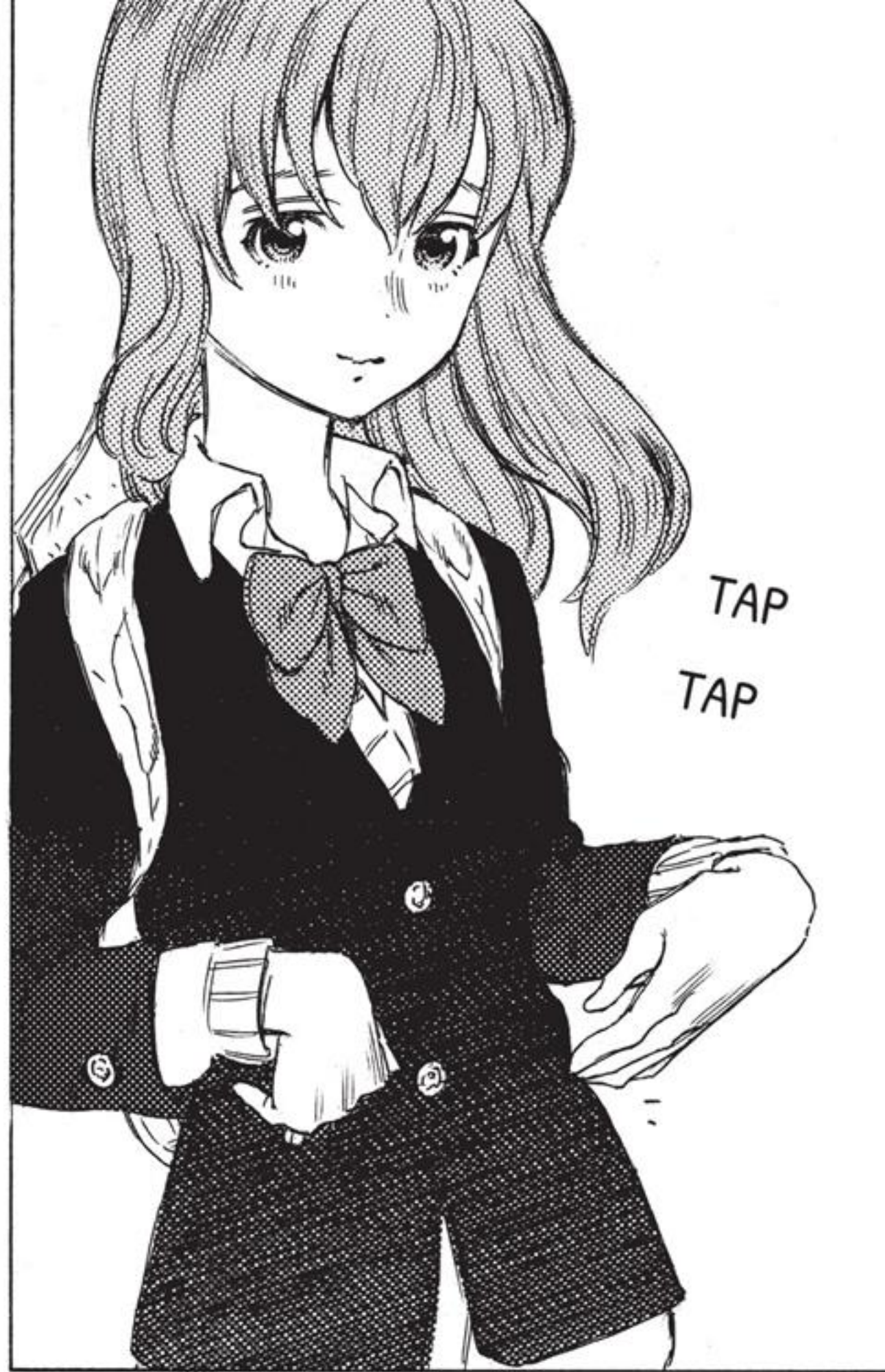


WERE WE
EVER THAT
YOUNG?

OOH!
LOOK AT
THAT!









...BUT
NOW WE'RE
JUST
STANDING
HERE
HAVING A
NORMAL
CONVER-
SATION?

I USED
TO HATE
SHOKO
NISHIMIYA...



HEY...



...



LOOK AT
MY DIS-
GUSTING
FACE...

I WAS GOING
TO JUMP OFF
THE TALLEST
BRIDGE I
COULD FIND
TODAY...

...BUT NOW
HERE I AM
FEEDING FISH...



THIS IS
THE
MOST
EMBAR-
RASS-
ING
DARE-
DEVIL
STUNT
OF MY
LIFE...

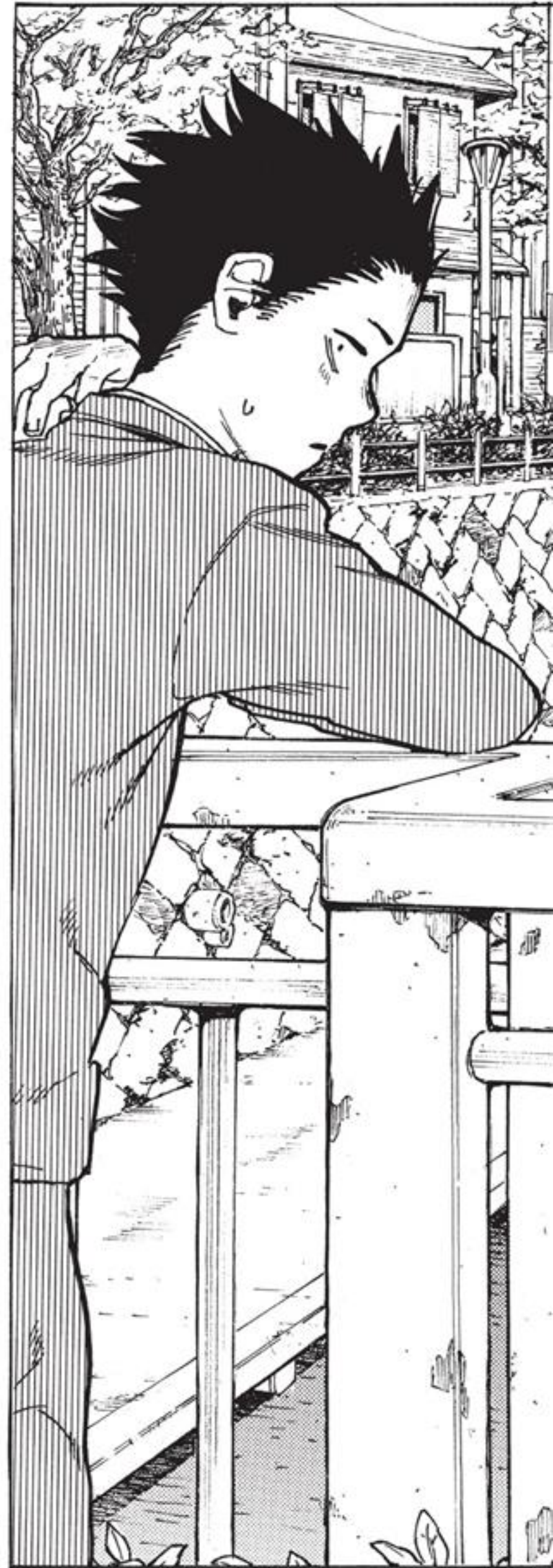
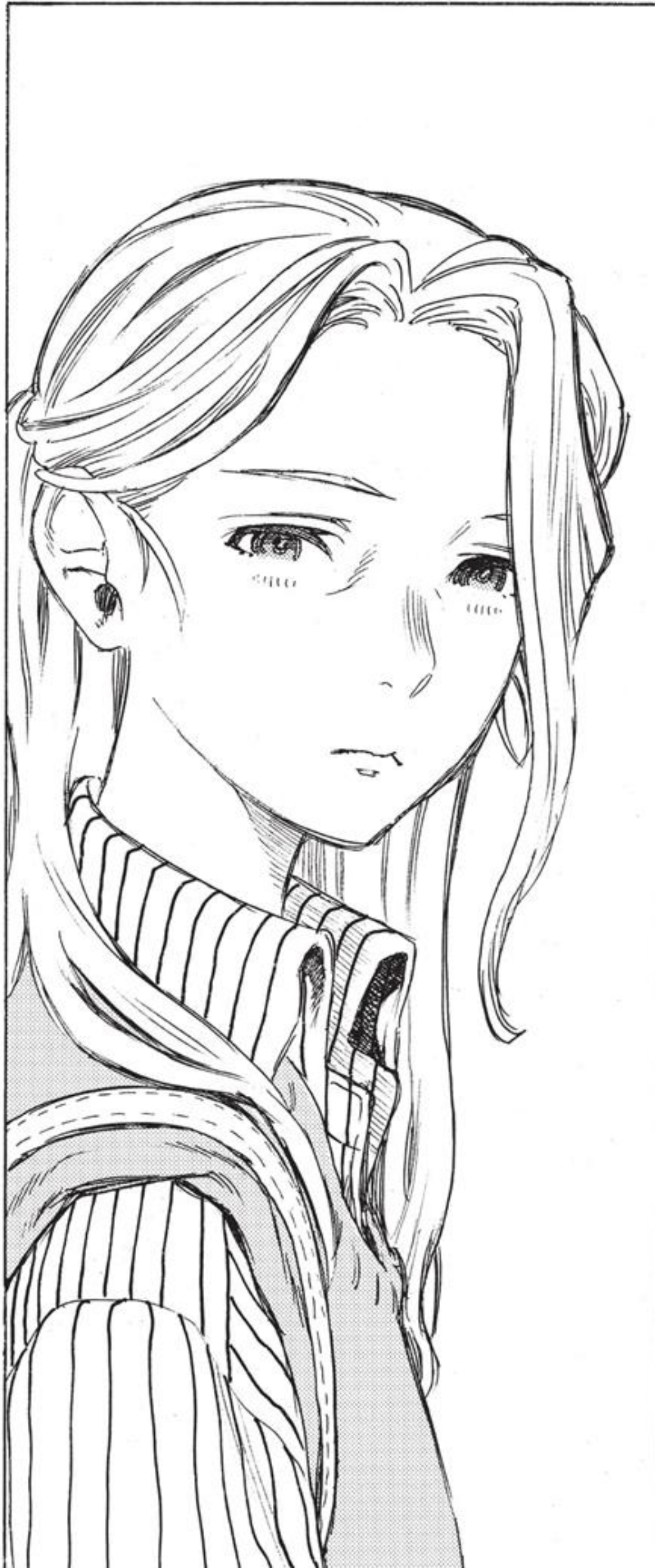


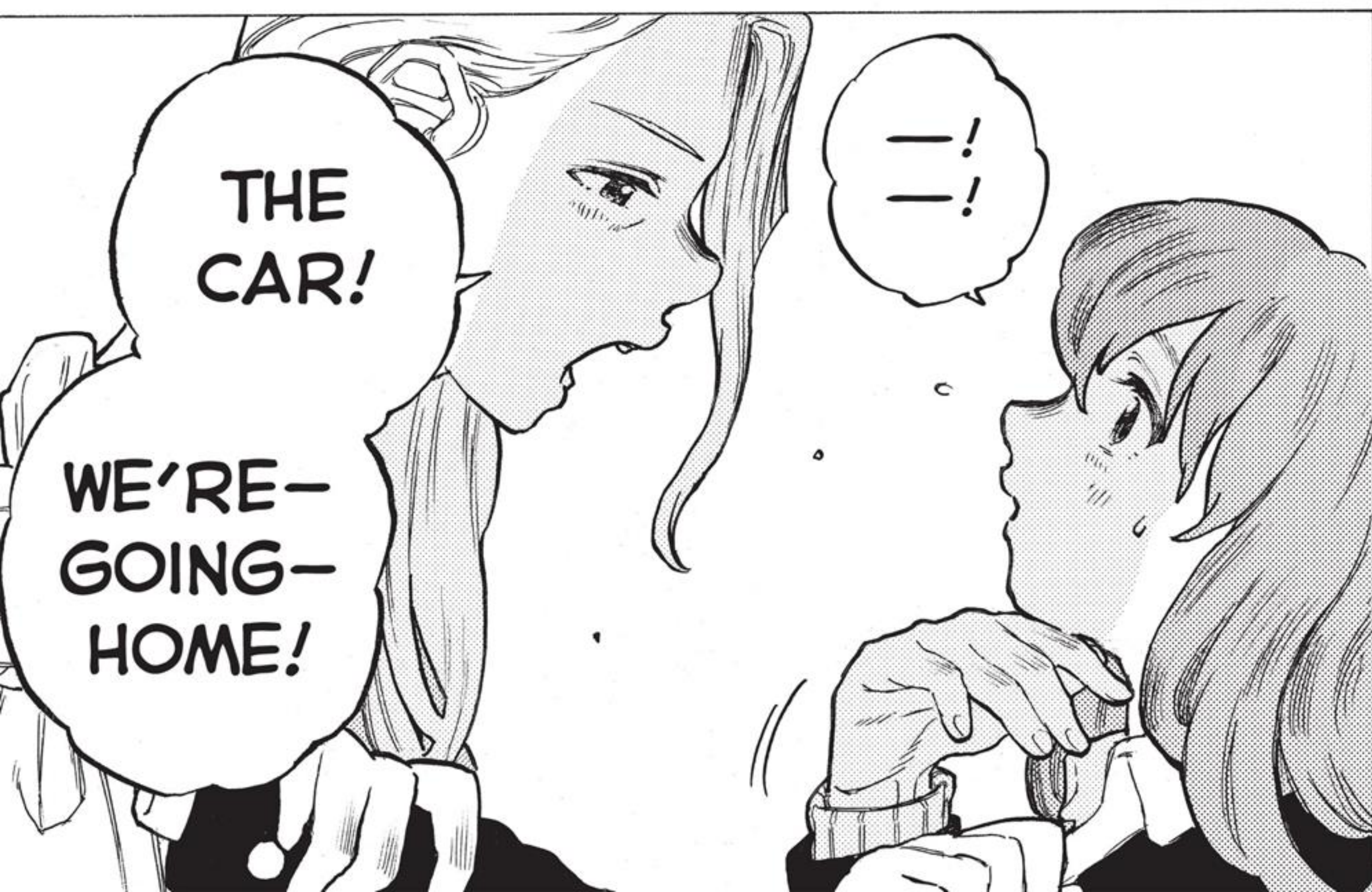
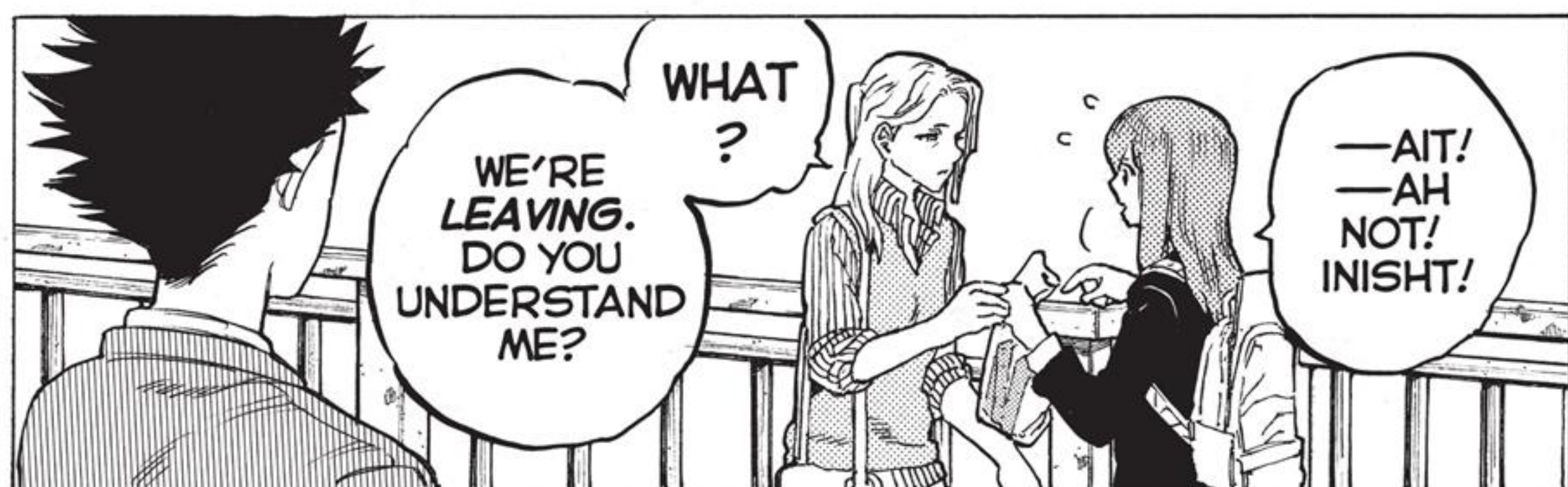
...ZITS
ALL OVER
THE
PLACE...

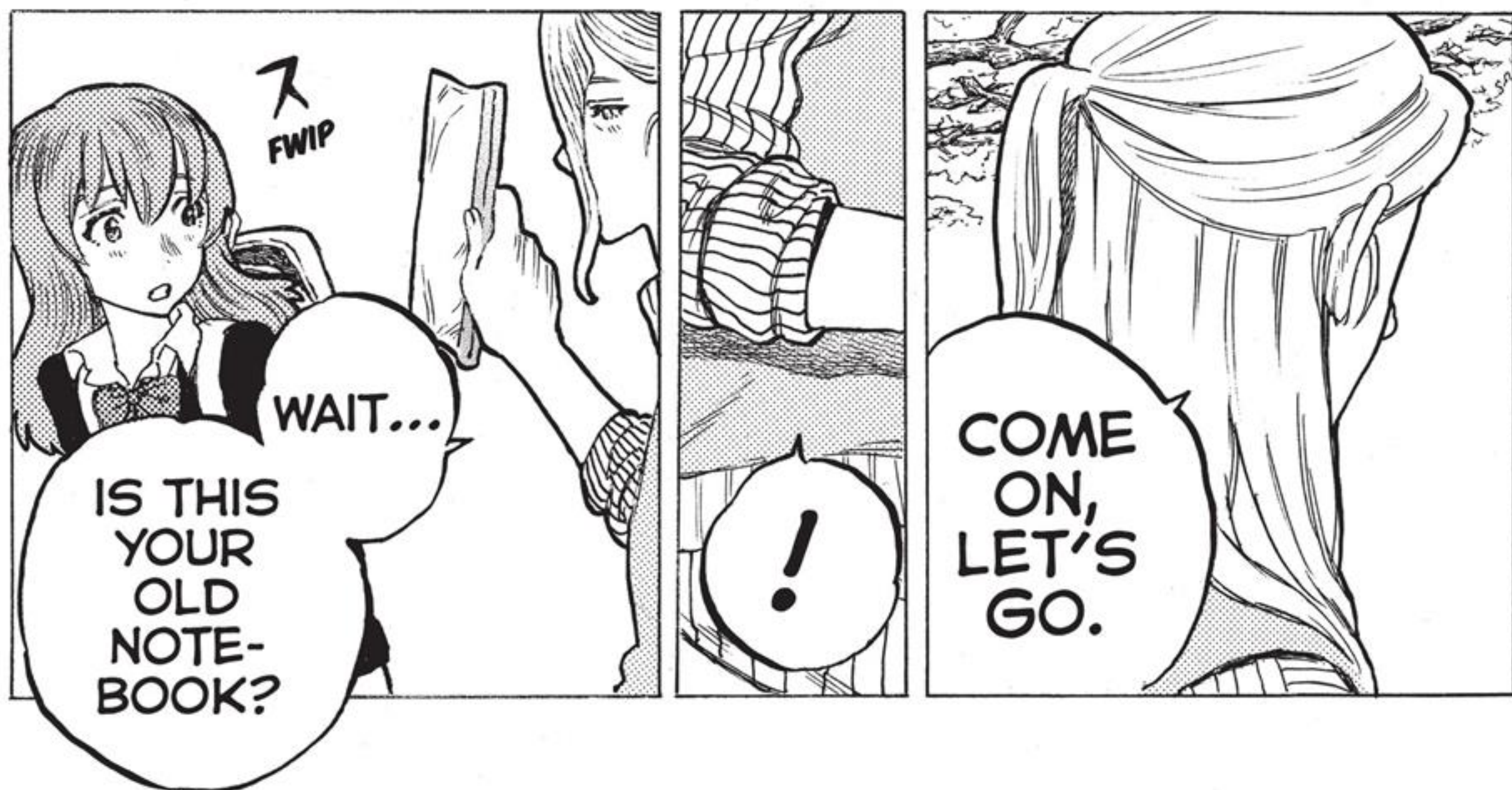
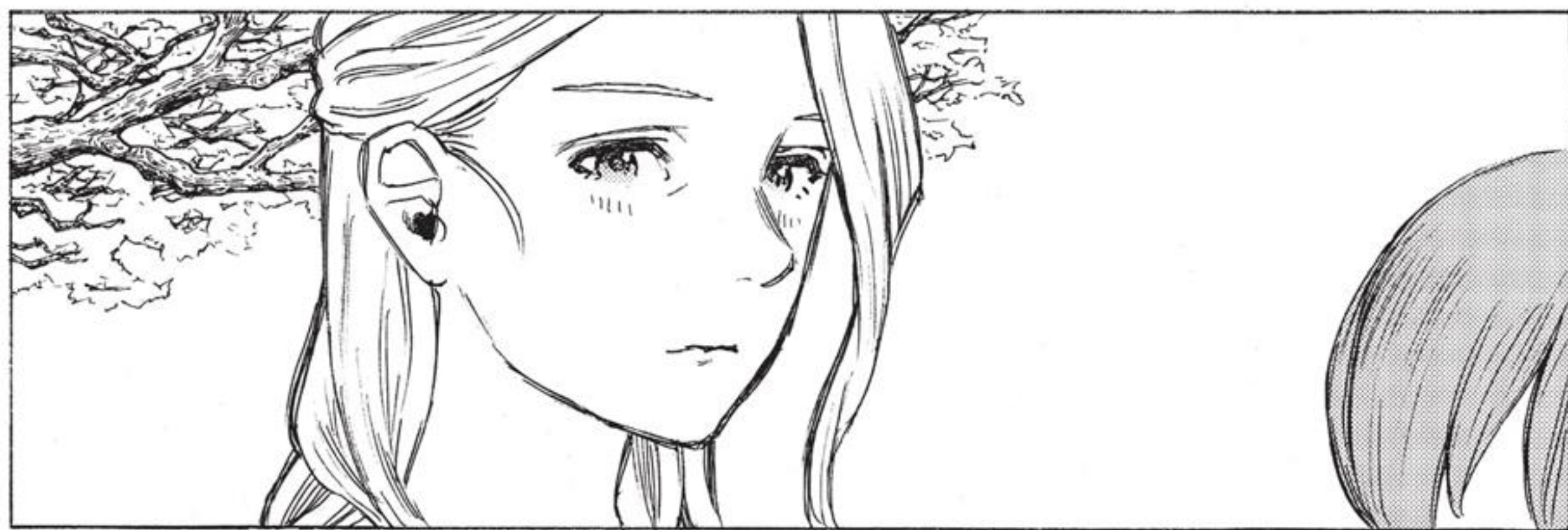


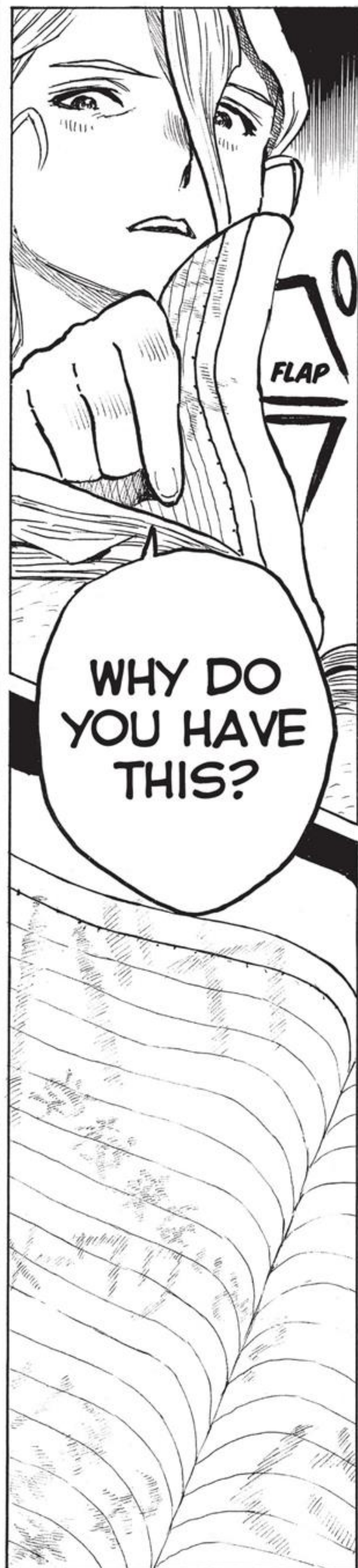
...EYES
ALL
BLOOD-
SHOT...



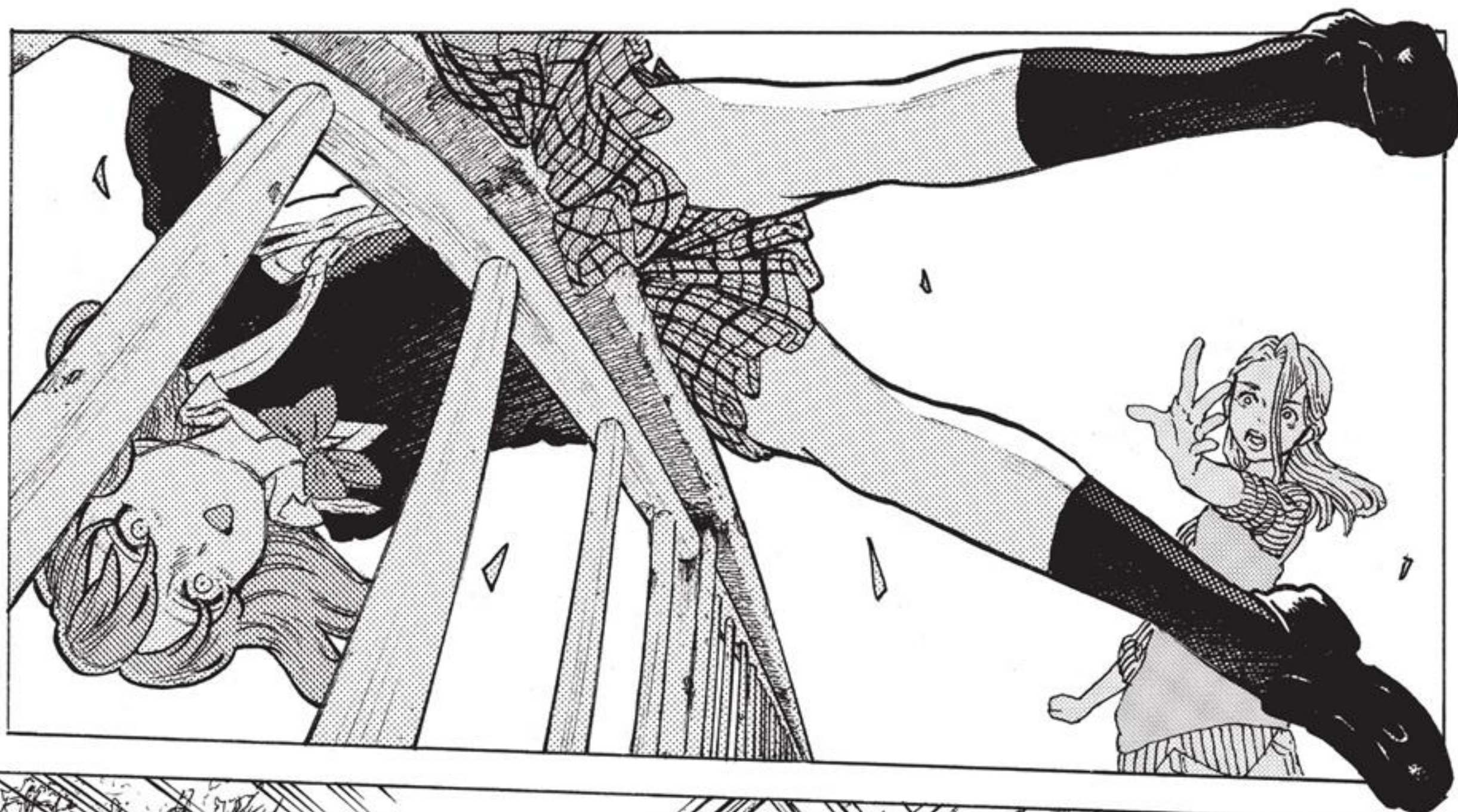




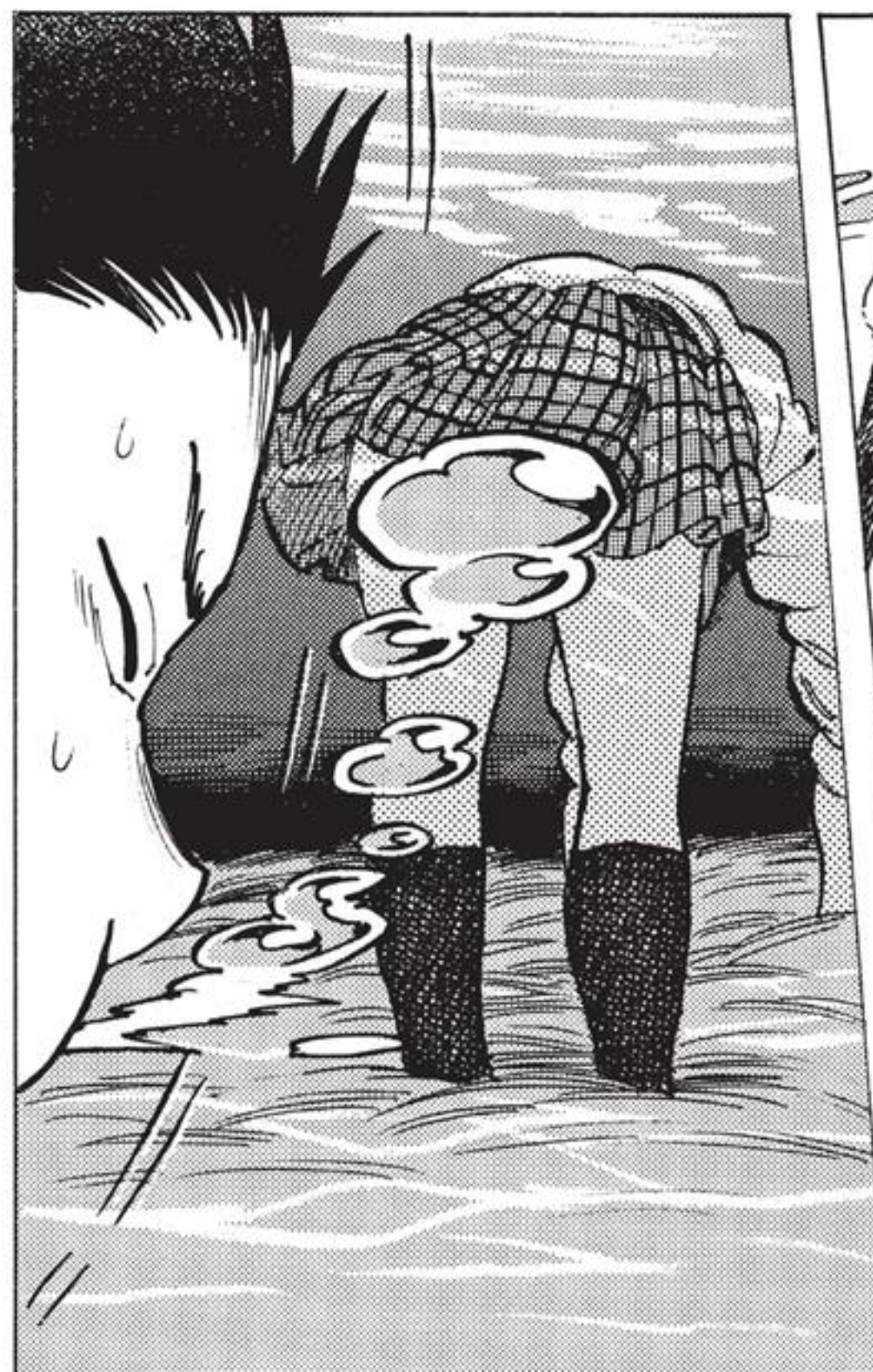
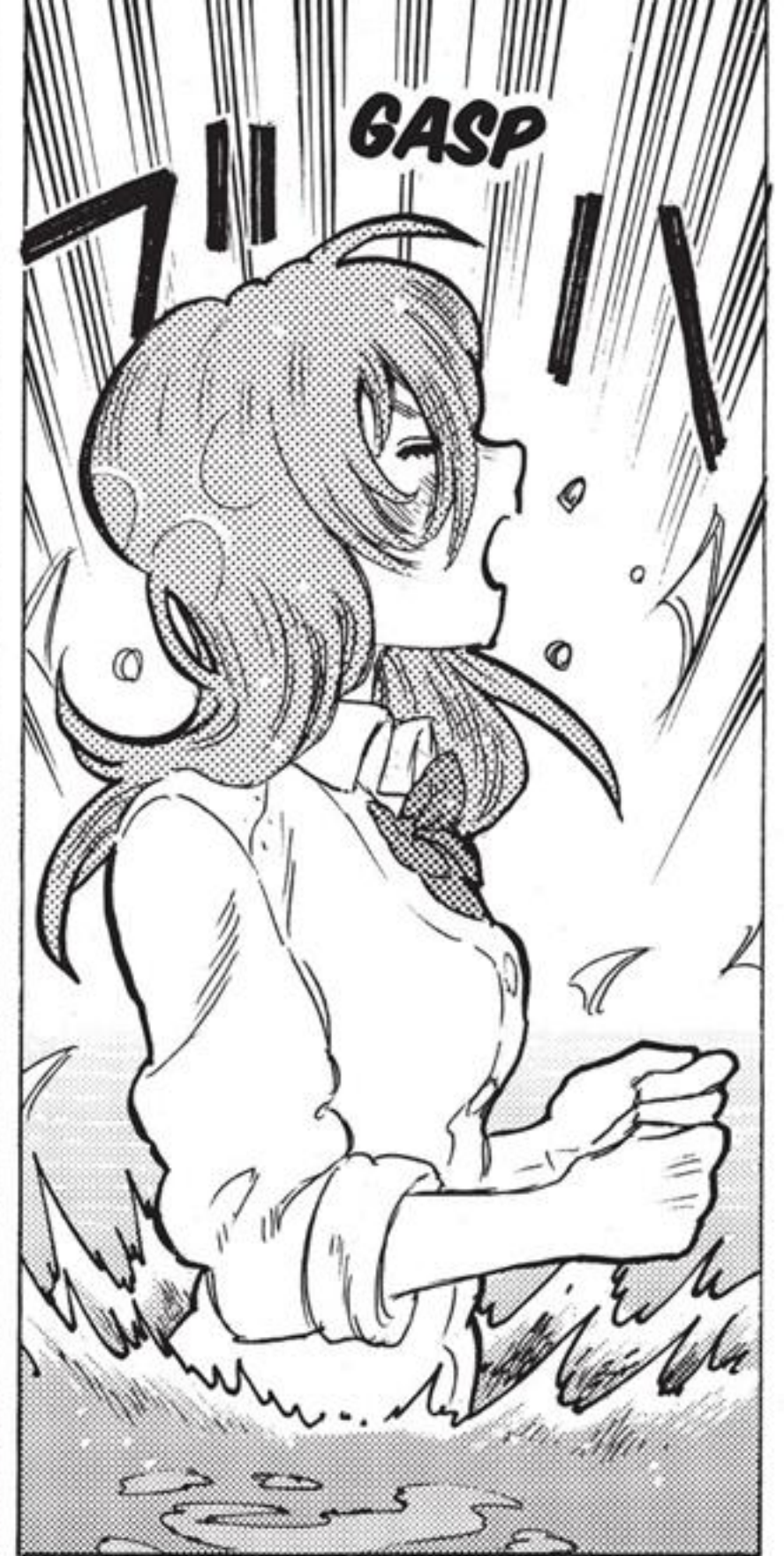




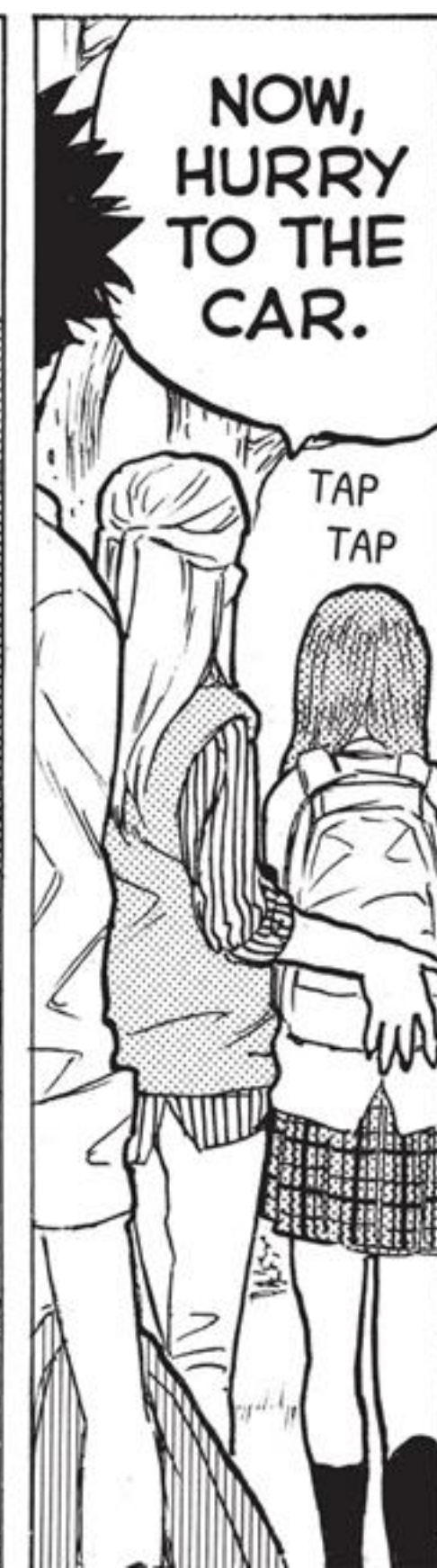
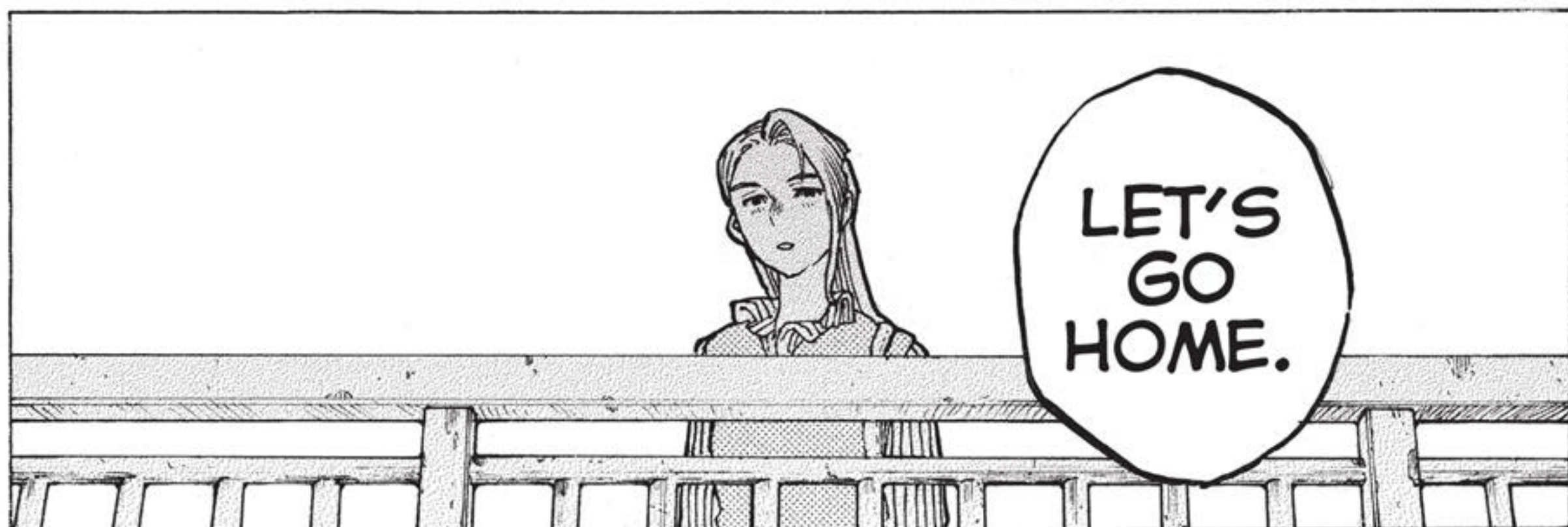
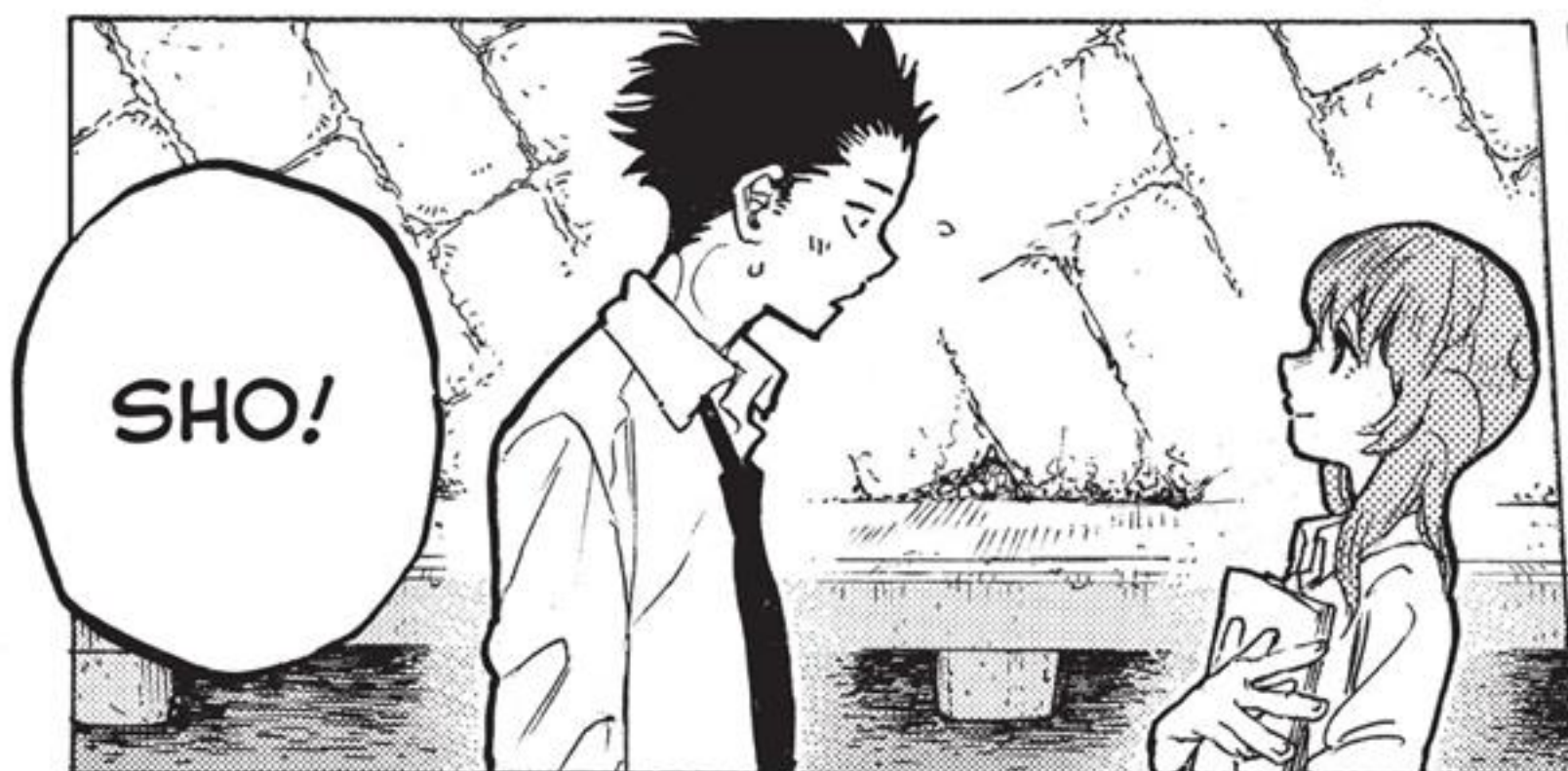


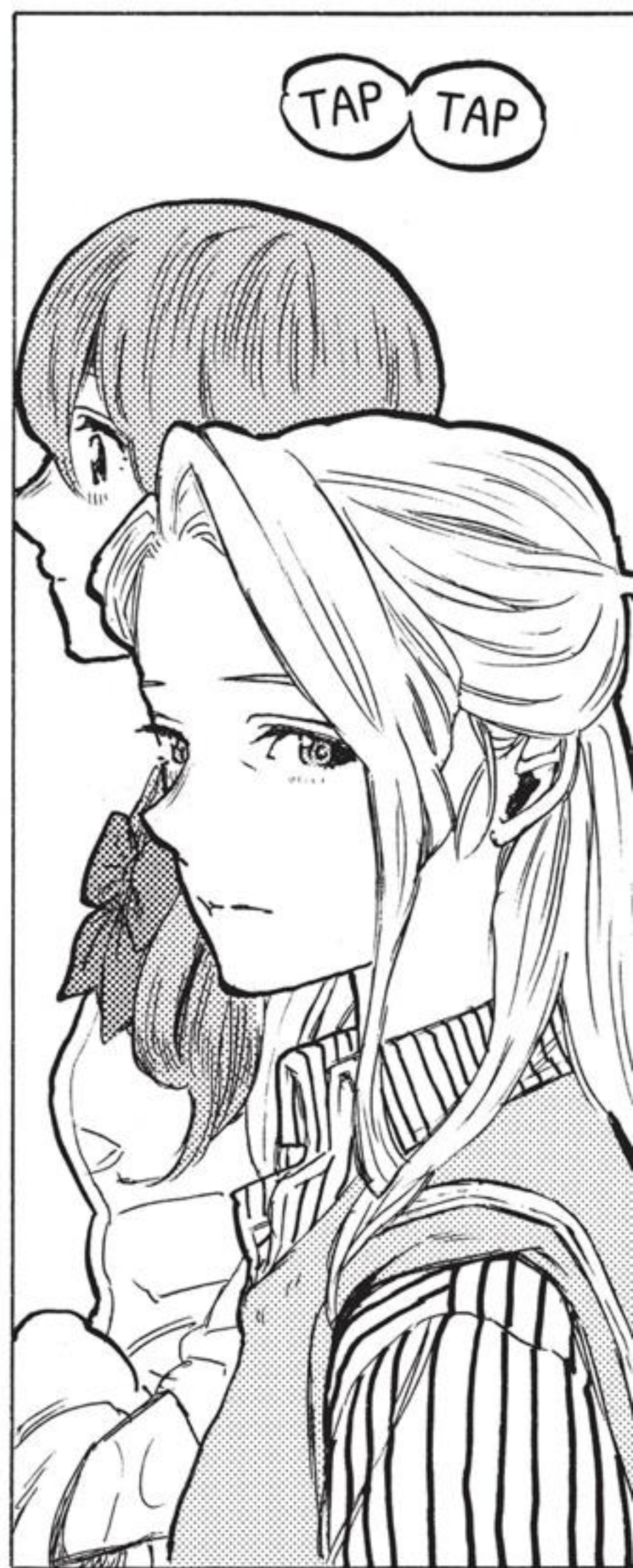






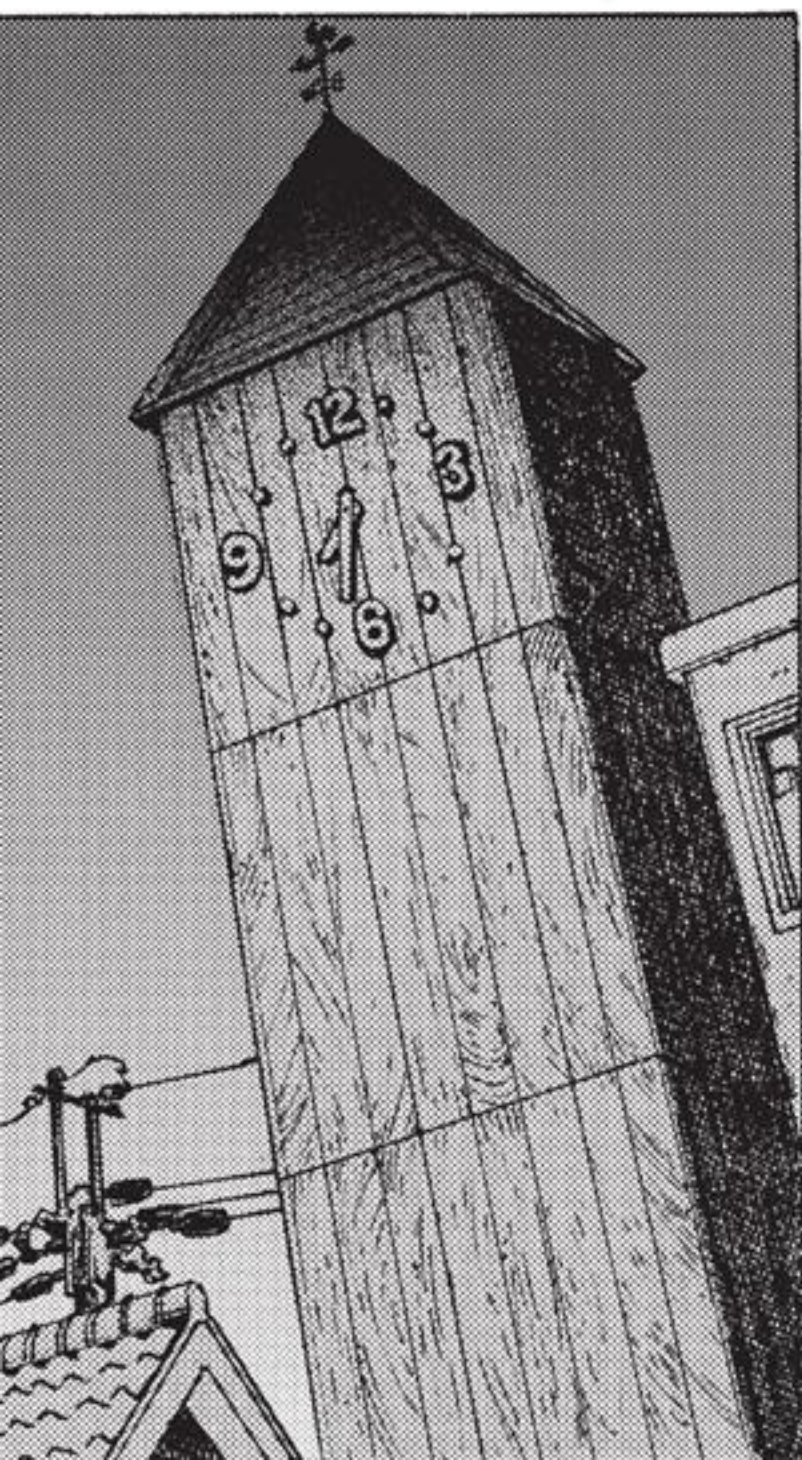
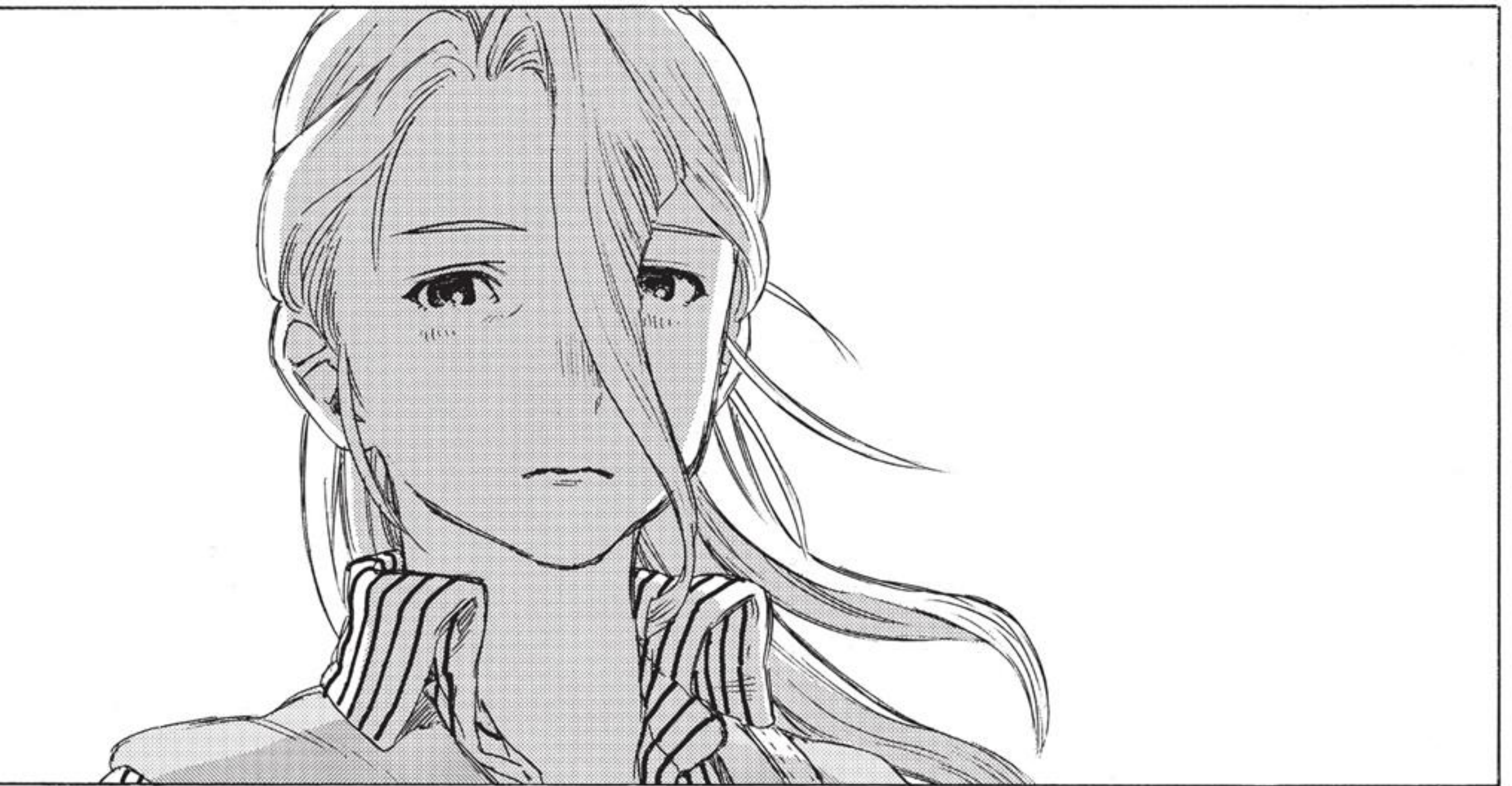
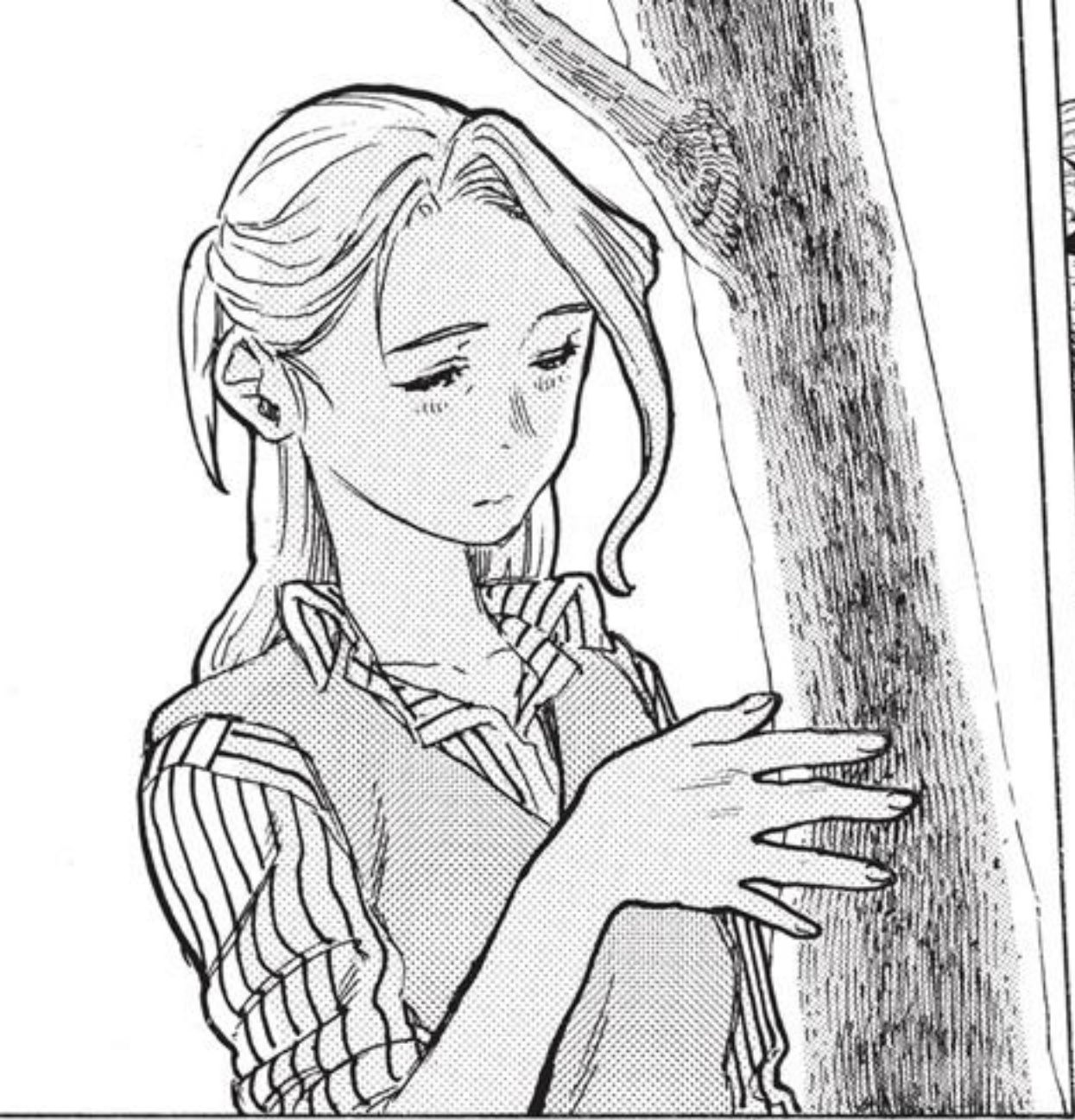


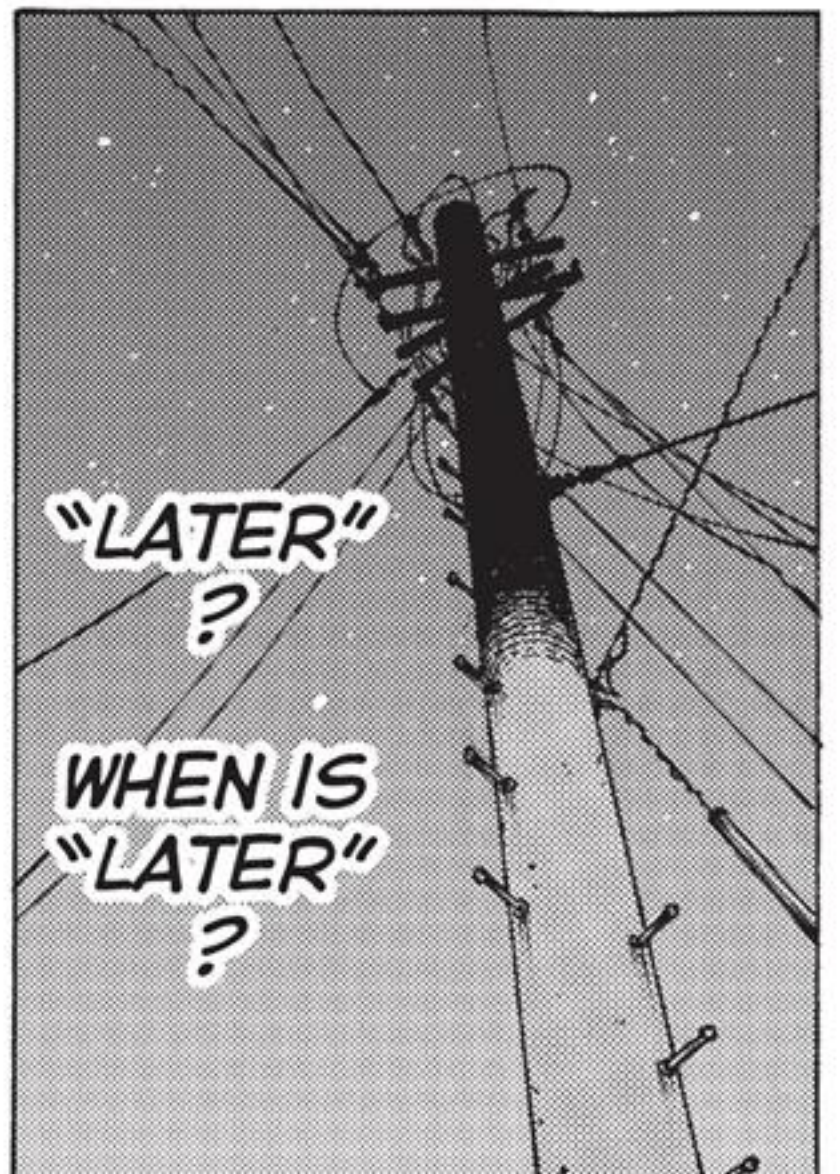
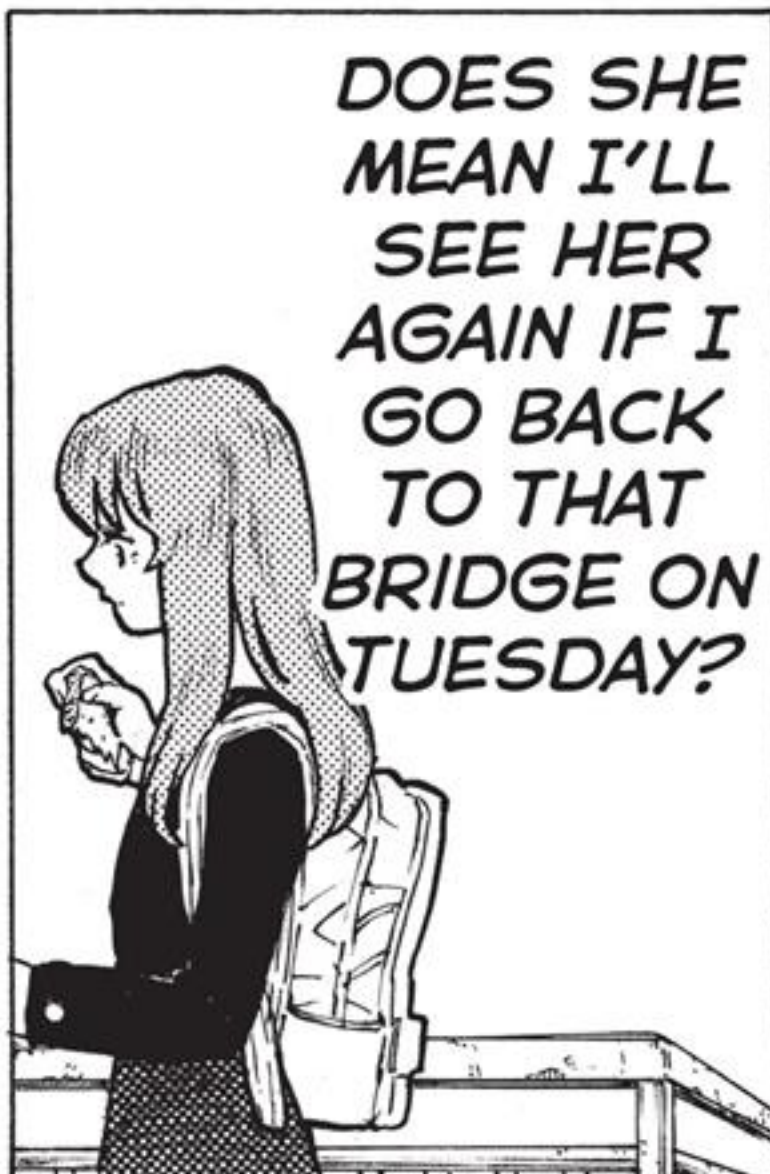
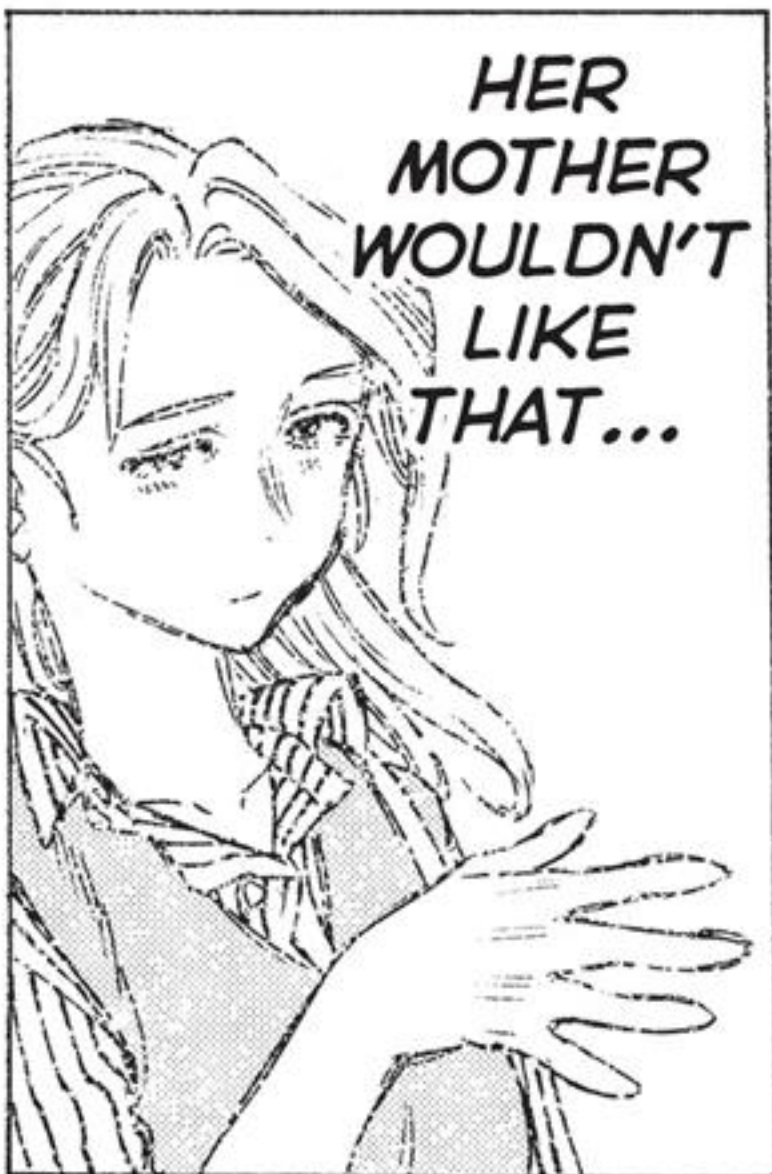
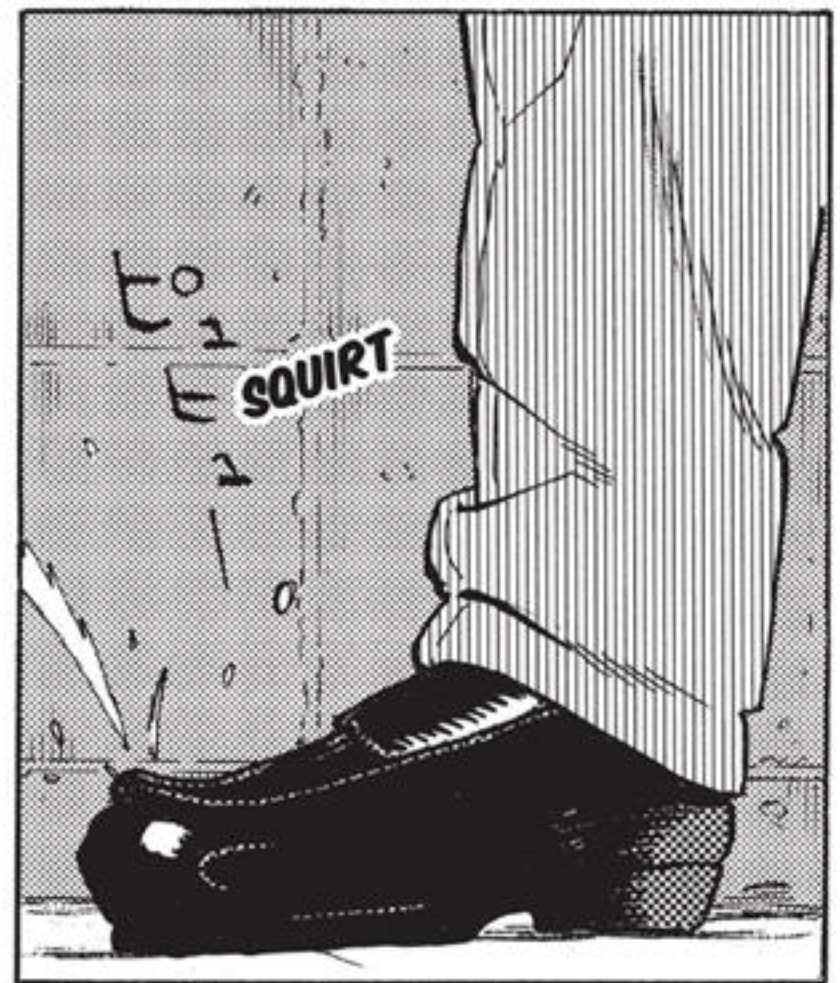




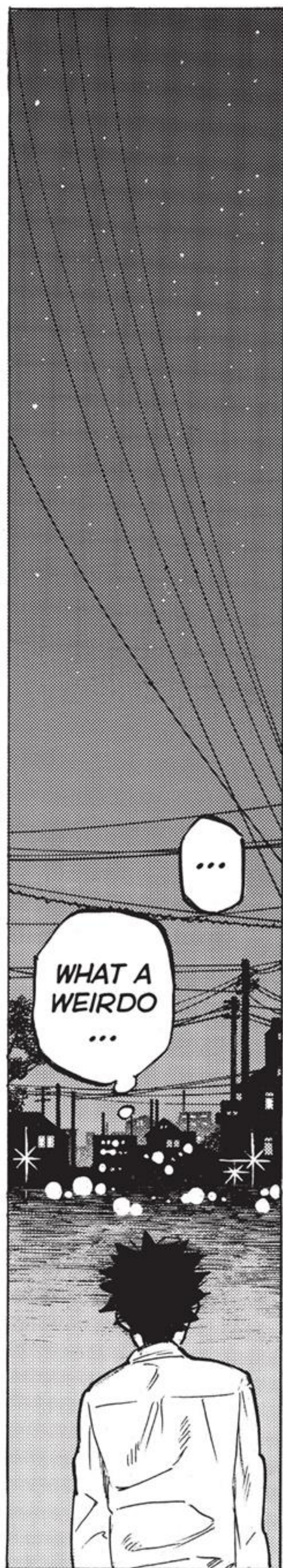








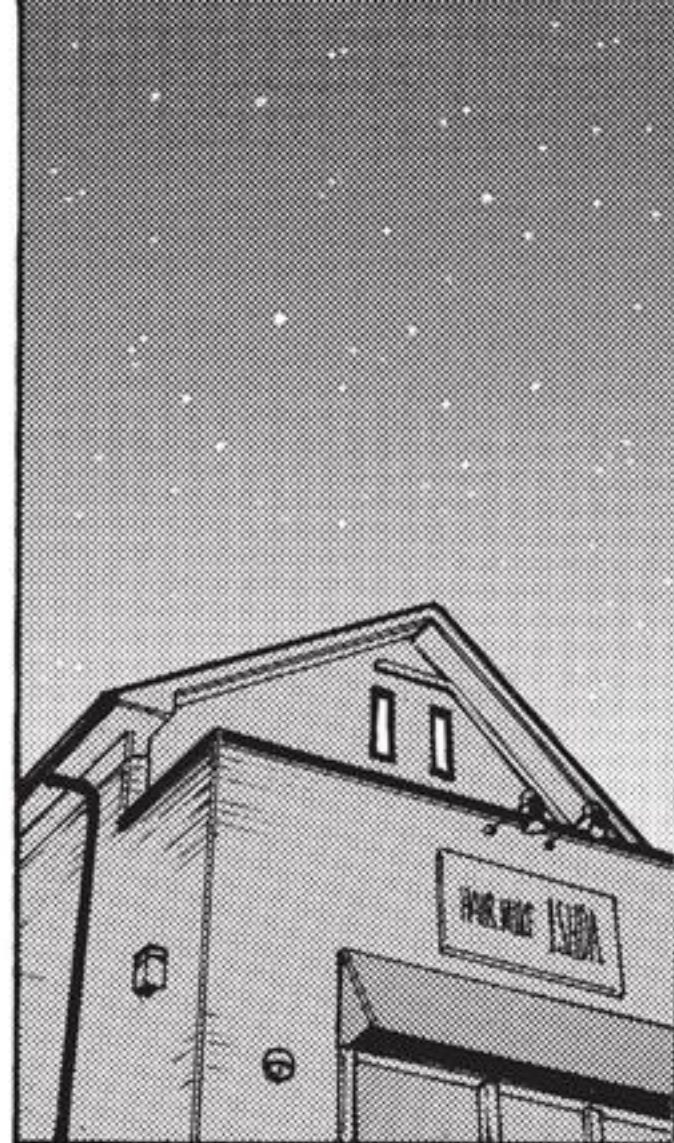






DIG IN,
SHO-
SHO!

THERE'S
PLENTY
MORE WHERE
THIS CAME
FROM!



WHAT
ARE YOU
SO
HAPPY
ABOUT?



IT WAS SO
THOUGHTFUL
OF YOU! OF
COURSE I'M
HAPPY!



YOU
MUST'VE
WORKED
SO HARD!



...IF I HAD DIED, I
NEVER WOULD
HAVE SEEN MOM...

...SMILE LIKE THIS.

